# Whiting Petroleum Corporation (formerly Kodiak Oil & Gas)- Various Well Sites Partial Compliance Evaluation (PCE) On-Site Clean Air Act (CAA) Inspections

**Inspection Date:** March 30 & 31, 2015

**Inspection Report Date**: June 11, 2015 FINAL

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**Company Representatives:** None

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**Applicable Rules:** Fort Berthold Indian Reservation (Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara

Nation), North Dakota (Fort Berthold FIP)

## **Overall Inspections' Findings**

The EPA detected natural gas emissions using an infrared (IR) camera at the following well pads from oil/water storage tanks in violation of 40 C.F.R. § 49.4165(b)(1), (2) & (3):

- TWO SHIELDS BUTTE 14-33-6H, TWO SHIELDS BUTTE 14-33-28H (MOV 2745.mp4)
- SKUNK CREEK 12-7-8-9H3, SKUNK CREEK 12-7-8-9H (MOV-2748.mp4)
- SKUNK CREEK 4-8-17-13H3, SKUNK CREEK 4-8-17-13H, SKUNK CREEK 4-8-17-14H3, SKUNK CREEK 4-8-17-14H (MOV 2749.mp4)
- SKUNK CREEK 2-8-17-14H3, SKUNK CREEK 2-8-17-15H (MOV\_2750.mp4)
- MOCCASIN CREEK 13-34-28-1H, MOCCASIN CREEK 13-34-28-2H, MOCCASIN CREEK 13-34-3H, MOCCASIN CREEK 4-3-34-3H3, MOCCASIN CREEK 4-3-34-4H (MOV 2755.mp4, MOV 2756.mp4)

#### **General Source Information**

Inspectors scanned the following Whiting Petroleum Corporation formerly Kodiak Oil & Gas (Whiting) well sites' crude and/or water storage tanks and flares from the well site's entrance and/or adjacent road for any detectable emissions using an IR camera. Specifically, inspectors scanned storage tanks for natural gas emissions per 40 C.F.R. § 49.4165(b)(1), (2) & (3) and utility flares per 40 C.F.R. § 49.4165(c).

The EPA evaluated the following Whiting well sites on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation using an IR camera on March 30, 2015. The well information located in the table below comes from the North Dakota Industrial Commission (NDIC) well index located online at <a href="https://www.dmr.nd.gov/oilgas/">https://www.dmr.nd.gov/oilgas/</a>.

Table 1: List of Facilities Inspected March 30, 2015

In/Ou	#	IR	Video ID	IR	NDI	CurrentWellName	Lat	Long
t	Tank s	emission s tanks?		emission s flare?	C #			
10:36	10	Yes	MOV_2745.m	No	1810 7	TWO SHIELDS BUTTE 14-33-6H	47.6754 8	102.461
NR					1805	TWO SHIELDS BUTTE 14-33-	47.6755	-
					1	28H		102.461
12:09	10	No		No	2170	SKUNK CREEK 13-18-17-	47.6336	_
12.09	10	110		110	0	16H3	3	102.458
12:15					2170 1	SKUNK CREEK 13-18-17-9H	47.6337	102.459
12:21	15	Yes	MOV- 2748.mp4	No	2246 6	SKUNK CREEK 12-7-8-9H3	47.6519 4	102.456
12:29			1		2246 7	SKUNK CREEK 12-7-8-9H	47.6519	- 102.456
					,			102.130
12:35	6	No		No	2106 5	SKUNK CREEK 9-2-3-12HS	47.6676 7	- 102.482
12:40					2106 4	SKUNK CREEK 9-2-3-5H	47.6677 4	- 102.482
12:44	10	No		No	2216	SKUNK CREEK 16-2-3-13H3	47.6624	- 102.485
12:50					2216 2	SKUNK CREEK 16-2-3-13H	47.6624	102.485
								1021.00
1:06	20	Yes	MOV_2749.m	No	2732 5	SKUNK CREEK 4-8-17-13H3	47.6596 8	- 102.563
1:13			p4		2732	SKUNK CREEK 4-8-17-13H	47.6596	-
					6	OWIDH ODERW 4 0 15 1477	8	102.563
					2732	SKUNK CREEK 4-8-17-14H3	47.6596 8	102.562
					1981	SKUNK CREEK 4-8-17-14H	47.6596	-
					8		8	102.562
1:15	10	Yes	MOV_2750.m	No	2122	SKUNK CREEK 2-8-17-14H3	47.6590	_
			p4		4		9	102.554
1:20					1981 7	SKUNK CREEK 2-8-17-15H	47.6591 4	102.554
			1		/		4	104.334

The EPA evaluated the following Whiting well sites on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation using an IR camera on March 31, 2015.

Table 2: List of Facilities Inspected March 31, 2015

In/Ou t		IR emissio ns tanks?	Video ID	IR emissio ns flare?	FileN o	CurrentWellName	Lat	Long
10:38	23	Yes	MOV_2755.m p4	No	1870 7	MOCCASIN CREEK 13-34-28- 1H	47.5901 6	- 102.52 3
10:57			MOV_2756.m p4		1865 6	MOCCASIN CREEK 13-34-28- 2H	47.5902 2	- 102.52 4
					1834 4	MOCCASIN CREEK 13-34-3H	47.5901 9	- 102.52 3
					2322 5	MOCCASIN CREEK 4-3-34-3H3	47.5854 6	- 102.51 9
					2322 4	MOCCASIN CREEK 4-3-34-4H	47.5853 9	- 102.51 9
11:05	10	No		No	1784 7	MOCCASIN CREEK 16-34H	47.5887	102.50
11:09					1770 6	MOCCASIN CREEK 16-34-2H	47.5888 6	- 102.50 5
12:30	10	No		No	2246 2	MOCCASIN CREEK 16-26-27- 12H	47.6047	- 102.48 4
12:38					2246 5	MOCCASIN CREEK 16-26-27- 13H3	47.6046 4	- 102.48 4

## Fort Berthold FIP Applicability

Based on drilling information reported to the NDIC well index by Whiting, the facilities listed in Tables 1 and 2 were completed after the August 12, 2007 applicability date (per 40 C.F.R. § 49.4161) and are producing from the Bakken Pool (per 40 C.F.R. § 49.4163(a)(1)) and are thus subject to the Fort Berthold FIP.

## Closed Vent System Equipment Requirements [§49.4165(b)]

Per 49.4165(b)(1), "Each closed-vent system must route all produced natural gas and natural gas emissions from production and storage operations to the natural gas sales pipeline or the control devices...". The EPA, using an IR camera, noted and recorded natural gas emissions from production and storage tanks at 5 of the 10 well pads evaluated. Attachment A includes an IR log of each location and IR video details.

## APPENDIX A: IR & PHOTO LOGS

# IR LOG

COMPANY/	SITE	FILE	ACTUA	FRAME	FORMA	РНОТО	DISTAN	DESCRIPTI
OPERATOR		DATE	L	#	T	GRAPHE	CE (yds)	ON
			DATE			R	Camera to	
							Leak	
WHITING OIL AND	TWO SHIELDS	12/31/19	3/30/201	MOV_27	mp4	Spatefield	NR	Tank video
GAS CORPORATION	BUTTE 14-33-6H	99	5	45				
WHITING OIL AND	SKUNK CREEK	1/1/2000	3/30/201	MOV_27	mp4	Spatefield	NR	Tank video
GAS CORPORATION	12-7-8-9H3		5	48				
WHITING OIL AND	SKUNK CREEK 4-	1/1/2000	3/30/201	MOV_27	mp4	Spatefield	64	Tank video
GAS CORPORATION	8-17-13H3		5	49				
WHITING OIL AND	SKUNK CREEK 2-	1/1/2000	3/30/201	MOV_27	mp4	Spatefield	65	Tank video
GAS CORPORATION	8-17-14H3		5	50				
WHITING OIL AND	MOCCASIN	4/1/2015	3/31/201	MOV_27	mp4	Spatefield	NR	Tank video
GAS CORPORATION	CREEK 13-34-28-		5	55				
	1H							
WHITING OIL AND	MOCCASIN	4/1/2015	3/31/201	MOV_27	mp4	Spatefield	NR	Tank video
GAS CORPORATION	CREEK 13-34-28-		5	56				
	2H							

## PHOTO LOG

PHOTO LOC	<u>j</u>				
File		Date	Time	Photographer	Comments
20150330_	103552	3/30/2015	10:35	A.North	Whiting
					signage
20150330_	103553	3/30/2015	10:35	A.North	Whiting
					signage
20150330_	103554	3/30/2015	10:35	A.North	Whiting
20150220	104020	0/00/0015	10.40	4.37 .1	signage
20150330_	104038	3/30/2015	10:40	A.North	Whiting site
20150330_	104041	3/30/2015	10:40	A.North	Whiting site
20150330_	120912	3/30/2015	12:09	A.North	Whiting
20170220	100010	2 /2 0 /2 0 / 7	12.00		signage
20150330_	120918	3/30/2015	12:09	A.North	Whiting site
20150330_	121233	3/30/2015	12:12	A.North	Whiting site
20150330_	121236	3/30/2015	12:12	A.North	Whiting site
20150330_	122253	3/30/2015	12:22	A.North	Whiting site
20150330_	122256	3/30/2015	12:22	A.North	Whiting site
20150330_	122409	3/30/2015	12:24	A.North	Whiting
					signage
20150330_	122410	3/30/2015	12:24	A.North	Whiting
					signage
20150330_	122413	3/30/2015	12:24	A.North	Whiting site
20150330_	122415	3/30/2015	12:24	A.North	Whiting site
20150330_	122417	3/30/2015	12:24	A.North	Whiting site
20150330_	123401	3/30/2015	12:34	A.North	Whiting
					signage
20150330_	123405	3/30/2015	12:34	A.North	Whiting site
20150330_	124431	3/30/2015	12:44	A.North	Whiting site
20150330_	124434	3/30/2015	12:44	A.North	Whiting site
20150330_	124814	3/30/2015	12:48	A.North	Whiting site
20150330_	124904	3/30/2015	12:49	A.North	Whiting
					signage
20150330_	124910	3/30/2015	12:49	A.North	Whiting
					signage
20150330_	124911	3/30/2015	12:49	A.North	Whiting
					signage
20150330_	124946	3/30/2015	12:49	A.North	Whiting
20150220	124047	2/20/2015	10.40	A 3.7	signage
20150330_	124947	3/30/2015	12:49	A.North	Whiting
20150220	120157	2/20/2015	1.01	A No. 1-	signage
20150330_	130157	3/30/2015	1:01	A.North	Whiting
20150220	130158	3/30/2015	1:01	A.North	signage Whiting
20150330_	130138	3/30/2013	1.01	A.INOIUI	signage
20150330	130431	3/30/2015	1:04	A.North	Whiting
20130330_	130731	3/30/2013	1.07	71.1101til	signage
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20150330_	130437	3/30/2015	1:04	A.North	Whiting site
20150330_	130440	3/30/2015	1:04	A.North	Whiting site
20150330_	130448	3/30/2015	1:04	A.North	Whiting site
20150330_	130456	3/30/2015	1:04	A.North	Whiting site
RIMG	0001	4/1/2015 (Actually	10:36	A.North	Whtiing
		3/31/15)			signage
RIMG	0002	4/1/2015 (Actually	10:42	A.North	Whiting site
		3/31/15)			
RIMG	0003	4/1/2015 (Actually	10:53	A.North	Whiting site
		3/31/15)			
RIMG	0004	4/1/2015 (Actually	10:53	A.North	Whiting site
		3/31/15)			
RIMG	0005	4/1/2015 (Actually	11:02	A.North	Whtiing
		3/31/15)			signage
RIMG	0006	4/1/2015 (Actually	11:04	A.North	Whiting site
		3/31/15)			
RIMG	0028	4/1/2015 (Actually	12:28	A.North	Whiting
		3/31/15)			signage
RIMG	0029	4/1/2015 (Actually	12:28	A.North	Whiting site
		3/31/15)			
RIMG	0030	4/1/2015 (Actually	12:28	A.North	Whiting site
		3/31/15)			
RIMG	0031	4/1/2015 (Actually	12:51	A.North	Whiting site
		3/31/15)			
RIMG	0032	4/1/2015 (Actually	12:51	A.North	Whiting site
		3/31/15)			
RIMG	0033	4/1/2015 (Actually	12:51	A.North	Whiting site
		3/31/15)			